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BIRTH.
On 18th March, at Shanghai, the wife of
ARTHUR EBBE, of a daughter.
DEATH.
On 17th March, at Foochow, Shanghai,
ALEXANDER CHARLES WILLIAM MARSHALL, aged
12 months.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DESVRES ROAD CL.
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HONGKONG, MARCH 24TH, 1905.

The concluding essay by Mr. ALLEYNE IRELAND on American Administration in the Philippines, which we reproduced in extenso from the *Times*, must have proved stimulating to those of our readers who gave it a careful reading. Human nature is such that some American readers might be tempted to pooh-pooh all his arguments because of one or two unpalatable references; while, on the other hand, some British readers might seize upon certain of the odious comparisons, and smile complacently without taking the trouble to consider how far-reaching are some of Mr. IRELAND's postulates and conclusions. The *Times*, while not endorsing all that its able correspondent wrote, has given him credit for ability and impartiality, and in referring to the trenchant character of his Philippine article, remarks: "The circumstances in which he is writing should be remembered. There is a special reason why he should treat this question with even more than his wonted impartiality and candour. Mr. IRELAND holds his commission to investigate these colonial problems from an American body, the Chicago University. In the case of the Philippines he is appealing directly to an American audience, which, as having empowered him to undertake these studies, he would wish above all others to be placed in possession of the truth."

Whether the man be mistaken or not, we see no great reason for all these apologetics. Americans are not too thin-skinned to hear

adverse criticism, and their own Government has certainly done much to obtain accurate information as to the state of things in these neighbouring islands. Our British readers will not be too unbearably complacent because of Mr. IRELAND's kind comparison, for some of them have not yet forgotten his unsparing criticism of the administration of Hongkong. There seems to be some doubt as to how to take his remark that "the native of the tropics is not susceptible to the political and administrative ideals of our so-called Western civilization." We take it that Mr. IRELAND does not mean that the tropical aborigine is susceptible to no political or administrative ideals; yet that seems to be the contention against which our correspondent's arguments are directed. It does not seem to us that Western ideals can ever be effectively or usefully thrust, holus bolus, into the mind of the East; but their influence, under modification, is apparent enough in experience. There are certain ideals which men of different colours, different zones, share in common, ideals that were invented by human necessity. It appears that in the early days the Polynesians were so convinced of the value of truth, and the common danger of deceit, that they slew any convicted liar. Thus one tropical people at least were susceptible to at least one Western ideal--too susceptible, we can imagine a missionary telling them, for the biblical fate of liars is too dreadful for our tenderhearted orthodoxy, in these days; and we regard it as only a figure of speech. Such things as "white lies" are accepted as every day necessities of civilized life. It is sad to have to add that no man in the South Seas ever now attaches credence to the word of a "converted" Kanaka, but there it is: civilization must continue its glorious march. Ideals are wonderful motors. It was a British ideal apotheosized that gave birth to the Great American Republic; and we will leave it to others to say if the ideal has been lost in the greatness. At all events, the same ideal seems to emerge in the Philippines, and to it must be credited one of the mistakes in American administration there that Mr. IRELAND tells us are being made. We do not think it such a mistake as would

An entertainment will be given by the boys of St. Joseph's College on Saturday commencing at 8.30 p.m.

The death is announced of M. Georges Brenier, for many years director of the Messageries Maritimes at Marseilles and latterly inspector-general of the Company. He died in Paris on the 8th inst. at the age of 73. His son holds a high official position in Indo-China.

Mr. Frank Browne, the Government Analyst, last evening delivered a very interesting lecture on "Radium" at the Union Church Literary Club. He exhibited specimens, and demonstrated his remarks by experiments. Dr. Thomson was in the chair.

The much discussed and about to be expropriated Tanjong Pagar docks at Singapore have \$1,176,815.25 to distribute as the result of half-year's working. These shareholders are to receive a dividend at the rate of \$20 per share for the half-year, \$30,000 goes to reserve against bad or doubtful debts, \$200,205.73 is written off as depreciation; and the balance of \$206,645.52 it is proposed to carry forward.

A number of devout Russian soldiers have been interesting church-goers at Shanghai by their attendance at the Cathedral. They will not sit in the pews, but kneel in the aisle, making the sign of the cross repeatedly. The stained glass windows seem to inspire particular reverence in them. They go there to worship during the week, as well as on Sundays, which somewhat astonishes the orthodox, who consider one day sufficient.

An Australian paper recently had this: China it is announced, intends to establish a kind of Parliament, consisting of the chief metropolitan officials, the members of the Hanlin College, the Board of Censors, and the Grand Secretariat. The assembly will, it is understood, discuss important foreign and domestic matters--when the Throne commands. Foreign residents consider that the projected Parliament will prove illusory and useless.

Mr. Henry Dallas wishes us to announce that in response to numerous requests he will extend his season in Hongkong until Tuesday next, and to give the playgoing section of the Colony a chance of deciding which of the pieces he has produced this season have been most popular, he has hit upon the novel idea of having these last two performances decided by ballot. The ballot boxes are at the Robinson Pinac Co.'s store, and all, whether taking reserved or other seats, are requested to put their cards in, stating at the back which piece they would like to be repeated. The boxes will be open on Saturday evening, and the pieces to be played announced in our Monday morning edition.

Editorial correspondent, Mr. Takashima, that painted the picture on the now historical kite which was sent up by the Japanese to inform the Russian Army of the fall of Port Arthur. The picture represented Stoessel and Nagi-shaking hands, and underneath written in the Russian language, was the legend: "Port Arthur has fallen. On the morning of the happy new year we have the honour to announce this with hearty greetings." The hearty greeting allude, of course, to the sketch on the kite. It was subsequently learned from prisoners that the kite fell into the hands of a Russian Lieutenant at Liuchangtun. Affixed to the tail was a letter written in French, the contents of which are not mentioned.

A short time ago there was published in Tokyo a telegram running thus: "It is supposed that the reason for this new attitude on the part of Germany to be found in the utterances of Secretary Hay who is reported to have recently said that unless Germany charges her policy with regard to China, war between Great Britain and Germany will hardly be avoidable." It now appears, says the *Japan Mail*, that these alleged utterances of Secretary Hay have been made the subject of an official conversation between the German Ambassador in Washington and Secretary Hay. The latter emphatically denied the whole story, and expressed his desire that it should be contradicted in the most unequivocal manner. The *Kokinshimbun*, which was the first to publish the original telegram in Japan, now gives the contradiction.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, this Friday evening:—

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Mall ... "Hiawatha" ... Moret
Selection ... "The Belle of New York" ... Kierke
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Selection ... "Floradora" ... Leslie Stuart
Polka ... "Picaroon" ... Green
Menu—Hors D'oeuvres—Sliced Tomatoes,
Beetroot and Wafer, Ceviche, Civière au Poisson,
Soups—Oxtail Soup, Jujube soup, Fish
Boiled Fish Anchovy Sauce, Entrées—Baked
Chicken Larded, Grilled Fillet of Beef and
Chipped Potatoes, Quail in Jelly, Joints—Roast
Saddle of Mutton, Roast Wild Duck, and Cold
York Ham, Curry—Curry Chicken Liver, Salad
—Scotch Salad, Vegetables—Boiled Potatoes,
Mashed Potatoes, French Beans, Steamed Carrots,
Sweets—Jabbar Pudding, Sponge Cakes, Chocolate
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It is stated in the 1905 edition of the Advertisers' A.B.C., the well-known annual published by Messrs. T. B. Browne and Co., advertising agents of London and New York, that there are at the present time 4,807 newspapers, magazines, periodicals, etc., published in the United Kingdom, classified as follows:—London Newspapers and Periodicals (Including Suburban), 971; Provincial Newspapers and Magazines, 2,403; London Magazines, Reviews, etc., 1,433; Total 4,807.

The appeal of Hall and Holt, Ltd., at Shanghai, against the verdict for one of their employees who had broken his agreement, has been withdrawn.

Mr. Hunter Sharp has been appointed United States Consul at Kobe. Mr. Sharp was formerly Marshall at the Consulate, and about five years ago was promoted vice-Consul.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

ANOTHER GERMAN COLONIAL TROUBLE.

LONDON, 23rd March.

Rebellion has broken out in the German Cameroons (Kamerun), equatorial West-Africa.

KING EDWARD VII.

LONDON, 23rd March.

His Majesty the King is paying another visit to the Continent on the 6th April.

NEW BRITISH MINISTER TO DENMARK.

LONDON, 23rd March.

The Hon. Alan Johnstone, Secretary of Embassy at Vienna, is appointed to succeed Sir W. Edward Goschen as British Minister at Copenhagen.

[He is the fourth son of Baron Derwent, and married Miss Pinchot of New York. He has been a diplomat for twenty-six years, serving at Vienna, Washington, Belgrade, the Hague, and Rome. Copenhagen will not be new to him, as he was Legation Secretary there in 1893, and Acting Chargé in 1895-96.]

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

TERRIFIC STORMS IN EUROPE.

LONDON, 21st March.

Queen Alexandra is storm-bound at Vigo. A terrific tempest is ravaging the Spanish and Portuguese coasts.

NEXT JAPANESE LOAN.

LONDON, 21st March.

Mr. Takahashi, Vice-President of the Bank of Japan, who has arrived in London, states that a new Japanese loan is contemplated, and that it will probably be issued in England and America, but he has reason to believe that German, Dutch, Swiss, and Belgian banks are all anxious to secure a portion. Nothing however is yet settled.

SOMALILAND.

LONDON, 21st March.

General Swayne, Commissioner and Consul-General for the Somaliland Protectorate, telegrams to Barbera, and that peace has been concluded.

THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

THE POSITION OF LINIEVITCH AND HIS ARMY.

LONDON, 23rd March.

The Russian army is now reported to be occupying a strong strategical position, extending for about one hundred and fifty miles between Kirin and Bodune.

[We are unable to discover "Bodune" on any of our maps, or in the Gazetteer. It must seem odd to speak of a position with a front extended for 150 miles as strong strategically; but there are optimists still left in St. Petersburg.]

NEW JAPANESE WARSHIP LAUNCHED.

LONDON, 23rd March.

The *Koshima*, just built at Elswick to Japan's order, was launched to-day.

[BY COURTESY OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL.]

RUSSIANS STILL RETREATING.

TOKYO, 23rd March.

Our detachment following up the enemy, entered on the 21st inst., Chantu, twenty miles north of Kaiyuan.

Large bodies of the enemy are retreating in disorder in a north-easterly direction along the railway.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

KUROPATKIN.

LONDON, 21st March.

It is understood at St. Petersburg that General Kuropatkin preferred to remain in Manchuria, but that he has accepted the command of the First Army Corps in Russia.

RUSSIAN MOBILIZATION.

LONDON, 21st March.

It is believed that the Russian preparations and renewed mobilization are largely undertaken for the purpose of strengthening the position in the event of peace negotiations being opened.

LINIEVITCH'S DESPATCHES.

LONDON, 21st March.

The place of origin of General Linievitch's despatches is not disclosed, but it is believed to be Sungari, where forces from Russia will be now reaching him.

("N. C. Daily News" Service.)

FRENCH OPINION.

TOKYO, 17th March. Japan's decisive victory at Mukden has completely changed the tone of the French Press which now unanimously advocates peace. Not to speak of the pro-Japanese papers or socialist papers, which, affirming Russia's total defeat, insist with increased energy upon immediate peace, such serious papers as the *Temps*, the *Matin*, and even such most pro-Russian papers as the *Echo de Paris* and the *Gaulois* all express the opinion that there remains no hope of victory for Russia in the near future, it would be better for her to conclude peace upon reasonable terms. There is serious anxiety among capitalists concerning the future prospects of Russia. The *Matin*, which after the battle of Linayang loudly declared that Japan could henceforth entertain no more hope of success, writes on the 15th inst. that "The fate of war has now decided that the Japanese are masters over both sea and land. Russia can no longer fight for victory in the present war. Japan is assured of gathering all the fruits of victory; a new nation of the first order has arisen in the Far East; she has earned a place among the most civilised nations, and already equals the most powerful States. It is the time for her to show magnanimity by facilitating the conclusion of peace on acceptable terms, excluding any claim of indemnity, or any moral shamefacedness of Russia."

All the news from St. Petersburg published in France tends to show a determination in Russia to continue the war with fresh energy.

OSAKA, 17th March.

A London telegram received here to-day says that a thoughtful article in one of the papers has been welcomed by the public in Paris. It considers that the postponement of the Russian war is the best available means of ending this hopeless war. It points out the difficulties Russia would experience in paying off her present debt of 426,000,000 francs to France, and suggests that the French Government should use its influence for the restoration of peace, which is most necessary at the present moment. It concludes by saying that no further Russian loan should be subscribed in Paris until the Czar promulgates a constitution for Russia.

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CANCER RESEARCH IN THE COLONIES.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE PHILIPPINES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Canton, 21st March.

SIR.—No one who has resided in the Philippines for any length of time, and has studied intelligently the conditions that prevail in the Archipelago, can fail to disagree with many of Mr. All-type Ireland's conclusions on questions affecting the Islands, and especially with his assertion that the Filipino is no better material for representative government than the Burman, Malay or the Negro.

The fact that during the period intervening between the landing of Aguinaldo at Manila and the outbreak of hostilities between the Americans and the Filipinos, a representative government had been established by the Filipino leader with the unanimous consent of his countrymen, that peace, order and good government prevailed in all the regions over which his administration exercised control, is a sufficient refutation of Mr. Ireland's contention.

The following is an extract of an article written by an American Naval Cadet, L. R. Sargent, recounting his experiences during an extended tour through Northern Luzon in the autumn of 1898. It must be remembered that at the time hostilities had not broken out between the Americans and the Filipinos, and that the Filipino Republic had been in existence for several months:

"The military forces of the United States held control only in Manila with its environs and in Cavite and had no authority (the italics are mine) to proceed farther, while in the vast remaining districts the representatives of the only other recognized power on the field were prisoners in the hands of their despised subjects. It was the opinion of Manila during this anomalous period in our Philippine relations, and possibly in the United States as well, that such a state of affairs must breed something akin to anarchy. I can state unreservedly, however, that Mr. Wilcox and I found the existing conditions to be much at variance with this opinion as a tribute to the efficiency of Aguinaldo's government and to the law-abiding character of his subjects, I offer the fact that Mr. Wilcox and I pursued our journey throughout in perfect security, and returned to Manila with only the most pleasant recollections of the quiet and orderly life which we found the natives to be leading under the new regime."

No Malay or negro people could have in the first place idealized such a system of Government. Nor would it have been under any conceivable circumstance, to administer it with any degree of success over an area extending from the outskirts of Manila to the northernmost point of Luzon, and to all the adjacent islands except those inhabited by the Moors.

Mr. John Barrett says: "By the middle of October 1898, Aguinaldo had assembled at Malolos a congress of one hundred men who would compare in behavior, manner, dress and education with the average men of the better classes of other Asiatic nations, possibly including the Japanese. These men, whose sessions I repeatedly attended, conducted themselves with great decorum and showed a knowledge of debate and parliamentary law that would not compare unfavourably with the Japanese Parliament."

From the foregoing extracts I think I have adduced sufficient evidence to prove that not only are the Filipinos capable of autonomy, but that they had an established government of their own, and I can bring, if necessary, further proofs to show that they administered justice, preserved order, respected property, and that the people, above all, were happy and contented with the new order of things."

Mr. Ireland apparently bases his arguments on the assumption that all races inhabiting the tropics are incapable of self-government, and that the Filipinos, being a tropical people, must come under the same category. A superficial acquaintance with the character of the native has led him into this mistake, and the "little brown brother" remains a riddle as mystifying to him as he has been to his rulers.

In one essential feature the Filipino differs from every Asiatic people excepting the Japanese. Patriotism is with him a cult—a religion. Search every nipa hut throughout the Islands; in every household you will find an image of the Virgin, and you will also find occupying a place of honour the portrait of Rizal, their murdered patriot, who symbolizes their loftiest ideals, the love of country, and the aspiration for freedom hitherto unattained.

Co-existent with that aspiration, there is reason to believe that they possess the latent ability to utilize its realization for the good of the country. The Government of the United States with typical magnanimity is determined to give them a "square deal" in the matter of self-government. The result nobody can foresee. Still for the attainment of this object they have fought the Spaniards again and again, and they have taken up arms against the United States for the vindication of the same principle.

The legitimate wishes of a people who can lay down their lives on the altar of such high ideals cannot be entirely ignored. Spain made this mistake, and she forfeited the allegiance of her whilom subjects; the United States in their early relations with the Filipinos dangled the toy of independence before the dazzled eyes of their new charge, and then withdrew it. A war that lasted for years ensued, and although by sheer force, the insurrection has been suppressed, the embers of rebellion are still smouldering.

Mr. Ireland naively refers to the great number of "outlaws" killed or captured by the Philippine Constabulary during recent years, although he attributes this state of lawlessness to causes far different from what I imagine them to be. You may call an "insurrecto" a "ladrone" or "outlaw". By

any name he would not smell sweet, but it does not alter the fact that the people have not submitted with good grace to the new régime.

It is my province to criticize the acts of the American Government, nor to examine the causes of the apparent failure of the United States in governing their new possessions. The root of the evil lies deeper than Mr. Ireland's lancet has probed. Nor can I agree with him that the present state of affairs would be improved if America were to profit by the experience of other colonizing powers, and slavishly adopt their methods. Conditions that exist in other tropical countries may be entirely different from those that obtain in the Islands, and measures that are salutary in one may not be applicable in the other. In one respect America has benefited by the experience of a colonizing nation. She has avoided the fatal mistakes that cost Spain her fairest possessions, and has learned that tyranny and oppression are fruitful of disaster.

In conclusion, so far from differing from the policy of the United States in spending enormous sums upon the education of the people, I am of opinion that it is the only policy that will qualify the Filipinos to assume the direction of their own affairs according to American standards, thus paving the way for permanent peace in those lovely but unfortunate Islands.—Yours etc.

F. MONTALTO DE JESUS.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO. LTD.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The twenty-seventh annual general meeting of the China Sugar Refining Co. Ltd. was held at noon yesterday, at the offices of the general agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company.

Hon. Mr. W. J. Grosson was in the chair and there were also present Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. A. G. Wood, E. Shellim, and A. J. Raymond (Consulting Committee), Mr. J. Barton (Secretary), Messrs. A. Rodger, M. S. Northcote, E. S. Joseph, S. J. Michael, J. R. Michael, E. J. Moses, W. H. Gaskell, H. N. Mody, F. Smyth, W. A. Crickshank, E. H. Hinds, A. G. Stokes, G. T. Veith, T. S. Forrest, P. C. Potts, A. Turner, Ho Fook and others.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen.—In accordance with local custom I propose to take the report and accounts as read. In the year 1904

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 23rd March.

IN BANKRUPTCY.
BEFORE SIR H. S. BERKELEY (CHIEF JUSTICE).

The Kam Tak Tai firm was called, but no one responded. Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton appeared for Chan Chun Man, who denied partnership. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley asked leave to withdraw from the file a declaration stating that certain persons were partners in the Kam Tak Tai firm. Mr. Bruton withdrew his summons as to the issue being tried with relation to the partners in the firm. An order was made for the declaration to be withdrawn from the file, and also the summons as desired.

Haji Yacobji, a clerk in the employ of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, was examined. He stated that he owed Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist \$2,160, which money he had borrowed to pay off loans contracted. Between 1901 and 1904 he borrowed \$1,200, in order to carry out some private business; and also borrowed several hundred pounds from Indians. Bankrupt was unmarried and lived in Lascar Road. The fire which occurred there about two years ago destroyed his furniture, which was uninsured. He paid interest on the borrowed money at rates from six to ten per cent. per month—72 to 120 per cent. per annum. His monthly wage was \$80 and his expenses, including interest, were \$200 per month. He supported his aunt, nieces and nephew, ten people altogether. He submitted a composition to pay his creditors 50 per cent. at the rate of \$10 per month out of his salary. The Public examination was closed.

Mr. O. D. Thompson appeared on behalf of two managing partners in the Wing On bank and applied for a receiving order against them. A petition was signed by them, Sir William Goodman ruled that the English Bankruptcy law which provided that a number of partners in a firm could not apply for a receiving order without the consent of all the partners was binding.

The rule was not included in the Hongkong Ordinances, though the Chief Justice declined to grant an order as asked, remarking that if any creditor cared to ask, regarding a composition to pay his creditors 50 per cent.

His Worship—That would only be an amendment.

Mr. Wilkinson—We say that Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company are not liable under the Ordinance, and no one is charged with the offence. Assuming that the summons is against the partners of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company it charges no one with any offence recognised by the laws of this Colony, and the partners are not persons liable under the provisions of the Ordinance to be prosecuted.

Mr. Taylor—I think the defendants will allow that there is no question about the desirability of having those boats licensed. The only point raised will be the question of ownership.

Mr. Wilkinson—I think I could get your Worship to dismiss this case in a few minutes, but I do not wish it to come before you in another form. What we want is to have done with it.

His Worship—This is very irregular. Mr. Taylor, you should put some name in the summons. You say the Secretary; are you prepared to prove that the Secretary used this boat?

Mr. Taylor—As a matter of fact, I am not responsible for this summons. It was not made out by me.

His Worship—Well some one must be responsible; you must either say you are responsible or not.

Mr. Taylor—I was under the opinion that the summons was against the firm.

Mr. Wilkinson—Put anyone to save time.

His Worship—The onus is on you Mr. Taylor to prove that Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company used the boat. You say the Secretary used the boat.

Mr. Taylor—I understand that there is no such person.

His Worship—Well, you appear now in the capacity of a "coman. You can apply for an amendment. I think the best thing in these cases is not to object to the firm being summoned, and then you can put forward as a witness any member of the firm.

Mr. Wilkinson—I consent to an amendment to that effect.

His Worship—If you plead not guilty the onus is on the prosecution to prove that you did use the boat without a license.

Mr. Wilkinson—I plead not guilty to any offence, but to assist my friend, who is not prepared to prove his case now, I will make admissions.

His Worship—I do not understand how you can.

Mr. Wilkinson—By arrangement with my friend.

His Worship—No arrangement with your friend concerns me.

Mr. Taylor called as a witness Mr. A. J. Williams, the general agent for Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company. He said:—

Shareholders ought to be satisfied with the excellent return shown by the balance-sheet enclosed, as it is, by the wise intentions of the board in the matter of the reserve fund, and with regard to securing the institution against future contingencies. There can be little doubt that the Russo-Japanese War has brought increased business to the Corporation, and played a very material part in making the present results possible. Calculated on the basis of the dividend, which was £1 10s. in the preceding half-year also, the shares of the Company can be bought to yield about £1 18s. 6d. per cent., a good enough return for those who do not mind the liability which all bank shares entail.

Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. A. J. Raymond, A. G. Wood and E. Shellim were re-elected to the Consulting Committee on the motion of Mr. STOKES, seconded by Mr. MICHAEL.

Messrs. T. Arnold and W. H. Potts were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. NORTHCOTE, seconded by Mr. POTTS.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN moved and Mr. MODY seconded, the adoption of the report and accounts. The motion was carried.

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The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business gentleman. Dividend warrants will be ready on application to-morrow. Thank you for your attendance.

A QUESTION OF OWNERSHIP.

Thursday, 23rd March.

Mr. Basil Taylor (Assistant Harbour Master and Deputy Superintendent of Police) summoned the Secretary of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company for using an unlicensed boat for purposes other than for pleasure. Mr. Wilkinson (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company.

Mr. Hazeland (police magistrate, to Mr. Wilkinson)—Do you plead guilty or not guilty?

Mr. Wilkinson—I do not plead. Such a person as the Secretary of Punchard, Lowther and Company does not exist. In the first place I wish to point out that the charge is not an offence under the laws of the Colony, and it seems that it does not charge any person liable under the Shipping Ordinance.

His Worship—I do not like this mode of procedure. You must plead guilty or not guilty.

Mr. Wilkinson—I appear for Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company, who are being constantly worried and harassed by—

His Worship—This is very irregular.

Mr. Wilkinson—Well if I say that no such person as the Secretary of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company exists, the summons must be dismissed, and the matter will come before you in another form. But we are prepared to assume that the summons is against Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company.

His Worship—That would only be an amendment.

Mr. Wilkinson—We say that Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company are not liable under the Ordinance, and no one is charged with the offence.

Re-examined—Those boats were purchased especially for the work of building the Admiralty Dock. They have never been used for any purpose other than the Admiralty. The firm of Punchard, Lowther and Company do only Admiralty contracts in this Colony.

Mr. Taylor—I admit theoretically that these boats belong to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Mr. Wilkinson—All plant, appliances and everything used for the purposes of the Admiralty contract, under the contract, are absolute property of the Admiralty.

Cross-examined—The defendant firm were desirous that licenses should be obtained to avoid further trouble, but the Admiralty superintendent said he could not consent to the clause being altered—he had not the authority to enable the firm to become the owners of the lighters.

Mr. Wilkinson—The lighters were purchased by Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company, as servants of the Admiralty.

Re-examined—The firm's name is not on the lighters and never was.

His Worship, (to Mr. Taylor)—Do you deny that boats come within the word "plant" in the Admiralty contract.

Mr. Taylor—No, I admit that theoretically the boats are the property of the Admiralty.

Mr. Wilkinson—This summons charged him with "using." There is nothing in the Ordinance with reference to that. The law requires a dog to be licensed, but it is no offence to "use" a sporting dog which has not been licensed. My clients are desirous not to have any trouble with the Government. They would not be permitted by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to make an application for a licence; and this rule was never intended to apply to any department of the Imperial Government. My friend is quite right to desire to have this matter threshed out. The only vessels exempt by the Ordinance are H.M. ships of war, and the ships of war of friendly nations, but the question is whether the rule was ever intended to apply to such craft. The regulation requires boats to go to certain anchorages, and these boats could not possibly do that. Army Ordinance boats are not licensed, nor are the boats used for taking coal to war ships. The Harbour Master, under the regulations, has ample control over these boats without them being licensed. We most certainly have not committed any offence, and if we have we are absolutely powerless.

In conclusion His Worship said:—I will look through the Ordinance and see if the defendants have committed any offence. I adjourn the summons *sine die*.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

The following statement, dated December 31st 1904, is published:

ASSETS.

Government loan 3,551,659,000

Bills discounted, loans, etc. 6,134,785,630

Bills receivable and other sums due to the bank 915,118,850

Government bonds 2,000,000,000

Billion and foreign money 341,394,732

Capital, etc., 2,500,000,000

Bank premises and properties 433,923,923

Cash 3,055,223,010

In hand 3,055,223,010

At bankers 443,659,218

Bank in Taiwan 20,185,469,131

Liabilities.

Notes in circulation 5,901,245,120

Government account 2,000,000,000

Bills payable and other sums due by the bank 6,017,743,132

Notes in circulation 557,751,751

Capital, etc., 5,000,000,000

Reserve fund 352,000,000

Reserve for silver account 131,133,732

Dividends unclaimed 355,305

Amount brought forward from last account 47,741,594

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

We have this Day authorized Mr. A. von BOHUSZEWICZ to sign our Firm and Mr. G. BINDER to sign our Firm for Procurement.

CARLOWITZ & CO.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1905. [793]

NOTICE.

The Business carried on at No. 25, Hollywood Road, Hongkong, under the name and style of JEEJEBHOY & CO., has been sold to the Manager, DHUNISHAW RUSTOMJI CAPTAIN, as from the 1st January, 1905, on which date, all the interest and responsibility in the said business of MUNCHERSHAW JEEJEBHOY VASUNIA, or of me, as his Executor, ceased, and determined.

All accounts owing to the Firm are to be paid to and all outstanding liabilities are to be met by DHUNISHAW RUSTOMJI CAPTAIN.

P. J. VASUNIA.

Executor of the will of the late Munchershaw Jeejebhooy Vasunia deceased, Sole Proprietor of the said business.

With reference to the above notice, I have purchased the business JEEJEBHOY & CO., as from the 1st January, 1905, and as Sole Proprietor I shall continue to carry it on under the same style of JEEJEBHOY & CO.

D. R. CAPTAIN.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1905. [794]

SITUATION WANTED.

ENGLISHMAN (24) desires position as ASSISTANT OR CLERK, Coast Port preferred. Capable Bookkeeper and Accountant References supplied.

Address—

A. B. C.
Car of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1905. [795]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),
the 25th March, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at his
SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,

A FINE ASSEMBLAGE OF
JAPANESE CURIOS;
Comprising—

SATSUMA, CLOISONNE, HANDSOME
BRONZES SILVER MOUNTED, LARGE
BRASS INCENSE BURNERS, IVORIES,
PANELS, CUT VELVET PICTURES,
SILK BLOUSES;

CUT VELVET and SILK EMBROIDERED SCREENS;
&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS.

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1905. [796]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from the OFFICIAL RECEIVER IN BANKRUPTCY, to sell by Public Auction.

MONDAY,

the 27th March, 1905, at 11 A.M., at their
SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road
(Corner of Ice House Street).

45 Cases HENNESSY'S Cognac (1 &
3 Staves); 17 Cases ROBERT CRAWE,
FORD & CO.'S OLD SCOTCH WHISKY;

11 Cases HOCK; 15 Cases CLUB'S and
CABINET WHISKY; 4 Cases BOARD &
SON'S GIN; 19 Cases CHERRY CORDIAL,
&c., &c., &c.;

Also

A few Cases of TINNED PROVISIONS.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1905. [797]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

TUESDAY,

the 28th March, 1905, at 11 A.M., at SAM
YICK COAL STORAGE YARD, Mongkok,
2,900 TONS OF

GOOD LUMP MOJI COAL,
(in Good Order and Condition), in Lots of
100 Tons each.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1905. [798]

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND
YOKOHAMA.

THE China Mutual Steamship

"TEENKAI"

Captain Harris, will be despatched for the

above ports on SUNDAY, the 26th inst., at

DAYLIGHT.

For Freight, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905. [791]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHEW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN."

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the

above ports on SUNDAY, the 26th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905. [792]

DAVID GORSAR & SON'S
MERCHANT NAVY
NAVY BOILED
LONG FLAX CANVAS
RELIEVE CROWN
TARPAULING ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Sole Agents.

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG SCHOOLS' SPORTS
will be held at the RACE COURSE,
Happy Valley, on MONDAY, March 27th,
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905. [784]

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held in
the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY,
1st APRIL, at 8 o'clock. Members
wishing to be present are requested to com-
municate with

R. H. CROFTON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong Club, 22nd March, 1905. [785]

HONGKONG CHESS CLUB.

A KNOCK-OUT HANDICAP TOURNAMENT
is to be held, Entrants, which
must be accompanied by £1. Entrance Fee.

Closes to the undersigned on the 31st March.

THOMAS SWABY,
Hon. Secretary.

Car of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1905. [787]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE SEVENTH DRAWING OF SIXTY-
FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hong-
kong Club, \$100 each, was held in the Hongkong
Club House, on SATURDAY, the 18th inst.,
when the following Debentures were drawn for
redemption:

46 435 787 1117 1582
87 451 800 1124 1642
104 476 540 1161 1685
202 522 854 1223 1792
304 543 867 1226 1631
124 646 882 1260 1634
356 662 912 1279 1688
375 679 921 1364 1924
389 691 909 1419 1928
396 703 1016 1424 1929
401 716 1027 1551 1937
406 719 1084 1560 1937

and will be payable at the Hongkong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation on the 31st day of
March, 1905, in exchange for surrender of
same.

By Order,

C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. [788]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

I RESUME This Day Charge of this
Agency.

G. DU CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905. [786]

THEATRE ROYAL CITY HALL.

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TONIGHT!

FRIDAY, MARCH 24TH.

"THE CINGALEE."

SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH.

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FRED. C. GARTON, Business Manager

Hongkong, 24th March, 1905. [782]

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FOUR CONCERTS ONLY.

TO-NIGHT (FRIDAY), 24th MARCH.

AND MONDAY, 3rd APRIL.

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A Unique Programme

GLEES, MADRIGALS, CATCHES,

NATIONAL BALLADS,

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HUMOROUS MUSICAL SKETCHES.

FOUR BOY SOLO SOPRANOS.

LONDON CATHEDRAL CHORISTS.

Box Office Robinson Piano Co.

Prices 33 & 1. Concert 9-11 P.M.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [783]

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Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will

be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday,

excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods

W. M. PARLANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1904. [785]

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LAUBENHEIMER	Per Case Quarts	\$14.40
GRAACHER	"	15.00
NIEBSTEINER	"	16.00
HOCHHEIMER	"	21.00
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N.B.—All our Wines and Spirits are Bottled at Home, thereby ensuring to our Customers all the advantages accruing from bottlings done at home under the direct supervision of the Growers and Distillers, as compared to bottlings done in China by Chinamen at the service of European Houses.

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TO LET**TO LET.**

SUITABLE for Offices, TWO ROOMS in Prince's Building. Apply to LAUTS, WEGENER & CO., Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [61]

TO LET.

A LARGE and SPACIOUS ROOM or OFFICE on the First Floor of No. 3, Queen's Road Central. Possession from 1st April, 1905. For particulars, please apply to— WUNG CHU SANG, Care of Yee Sang Fa, Opposite the Post Office, Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [62]

TO LET.

A WELL FURNISHED SIX ROOMED HOUSE, Excellent situation, Garden, Tennis Court and Swimming Bath. Apply to— H. HUMPHREYS, Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [492]

TO LET.

OFFICE ROOMS at Nos. 12 & 14, Queen's Road Central (Corner House); also GODOWNS at Back. Can be let separately or wholly. Most moderate, cheaper if the whole is taken on a long lease. SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Shaw, Tamm & Co.'s Office. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on leases. Apply to— CHUNG SHUN KOO, 12 & 14, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 24th December, 1904. [92]

TO LET.

OFFICES in "Hots" Mansions, facing New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel. Apply to— HENRY HUMPHREYS, Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. [180]

TO LET.

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TO LET.

DETACHED HOUSE in Robinson Road, Kowloon. Apply to— HENRY HUMPHREYS, or to HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD., Hongkong, 25th February, 1905. [539]

TO LET.

TWO SQUARE ROOMS in the Conningsby House Hotel, suitable for Offices. Also ONE STALL on the Ground Floor. Apply in person at— HOTEL OFFICE, Hongkong, 21st March, 1905. [764]

TO LET.

NOS. 74, CAINE ROAD. GODOWNS Nos. 34a, 34b, 34c, Praya East. Apply to— COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT, Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Hongkong, 1st March, 1905. [84]

TO LET.

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables, entrances in both Kennedy and MacDonnell Roads. For full particulars, apply to— LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor, Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [473]

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

A POSSIBLE CUREATIVE AGENT IN MINERAL WATER—THE NEW HOT BOTTLE—CARBONIC ACID PLANT FORCING—POWER FROM REFUSE—STONE-LIKE PLANTS—INJURY FROM LIGHTS—A SIDE INDUSTRY—BUTTERED MILK—PLANTAIN FLOUR.

The presence of radium emanation in the gases of mineral springs has suggested a possible explanation of obscure pains in the action of mineral waters on the human system. How widely distributed this element may be is difficult to determine, but eminent chemists have recently found in quite a number of springs indications of helium, a gas into which the radium emanation seems to change. Like results are now reported by Charles Monnier, of Paris, from an investigation of two other radio-active springs of France and Austria. In the analyses, the gases of these springs were separated into carbonic acid, oxygen, nitrogen, and a residue containing argon, helium, and other rare elements. The last portion, or residue, formed from 0.50 to 2.00 per cent of the total gases of the different springs. The range noted in radioactivity was very great, the spring at the top of the list being fifty times as active as the one at the bottom.

The up-to-date hot-water bottle looks like this. In its place are coils of fine wire, and when the bottle is connected with the plug in an electric lighting fixture, the current heats these coils to the desired temperature, which is maintained as long as needed. The advantages are obvious. The bottle is neither too warm nor too cold, it does not scald, and it promptly gives the proper heat without waiting for water to boil.

Keeping one lot of plants for two months in an atmosphere containing fire-tires the normal proportion of carbonic acid, and another lot in ordinary air, E. Demouy has shown an average increase of growth due to the carbonic acid of 60 per cent. The plants included lettuce, tobacco, castor, geranium and mint, only fuchsia showing no increase.

In our industrial age the discoverer of an abundant new fuel must rank as a public benefactor. The experiments S. Bordas has been making in France indicate that the great quantities of refuse vegetable matter produced on farms may be economically used for making fuel to run small farm motors, and that it is even practicable to make regular annual crops of fuel a profitable industry. He has tested dead leaves, straw, hay, and other substances. The materials were compressed into bales for convenient handling, and the cost of one horse-power per hour was found to range from about four-fifths of a cent with leaves and low-grade straw to one cent with oat straw and a cent and a half with hay of average quality.

What seems to be true mimicry in plants has been pointed out in South Africa by Dr. R. Marioli. Of four singular species belonging to the genus *Mesembryanthemum*, two resemble each in form and colour the quartz pebbles among which they grow, and the others have each two leaves about the size of a duck's egg, with a surface like weathered stone and a stone-like brownish grey colour tinged with green. At least two of these species do not change their characters under cultivation. A species of the genus *Anacampseros* has leaves covered with white papery stipules, and also resembles the surrounding quartz pebbles.

The injurious effects of light on the eyes are found to increase with the number of ultra-violet or chemical rays contained. This is the conclusion of Dr. A. Staerke, of Basel, who shows that petroleum is the least harmful light, and is followed in order by gas-light, electric light, incandescent gas-light and acetylene, the last named being most harmful. Thick coloured glass—gray-yellow, red or green—lessens the injurious rays.

When the newest English "penny-in-the-slot" apparatus receives its coin, a music box at a distance, as in another room, begins to play, being operated by wireless telegraphy.

Acetylene black, a fine quality of carbon or black pigment, is obtained as a by-product at Follige, in Italy, by an interesting process lately described by H. Becker. The residue from purifying crude sugar by the baryta process—that is, by treatment with barium hydroxide and then with carbonic acid—consists of moist barium carbonate; and this is fed with carbon into an electric furnace, where it is converted into barium carbide. The carbon monoxide evolved is burnt, the heat evolved being used to dry the raw materials. The carbide produced is at once decomposed with water so as to obtain barium hydroxide, and the acetylene liberated is made by imperfect combustion to deposit its carbon.

Bauharina, the new flour of fine quality from the plantain, is reported to have proven an agreeable and healthful food. In Venezuela, where it seems to be gaining favour, it is especially recommended as a nutritious food for children and invalids.

Mice exposed to radium for twenty days, in the experiments of Dr. Roux of Paris, lost their hair; and when the hair grew again it was quite white. Longer exposure developed muscular paralysis.

If owing to any reason it is unsafe for a vessel to pass the Iron Barrier, a RED TRIANGULAR SHAPE 6 feet in height, will be hoisted on a staff at the Barrier light hut. A vessel seeing this signal should on no account attempt to pass.

J. HOWELL MAY, Harbour Master.

Approved,

F. J. MAYER,
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Custom House, Canton, 15th March, 1905. [755]

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From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 3rd June, 1904. [63]

THE HON. E. H. CONGER AT NAGASAKI.

In the course of a brief interview on Thursday afternoon at the Nagasaki Hotel, Mr. Conger, the American Minister to China, told a representative of the "Nagasaki Press," that he was having a short holiday from Peking. He proceeded to the Philippines from Shanghai and spent twelve days in making a tour of the islands, a delightful change from a strenuous telegram and official correspondence. In reply to a question as to the present condition of the Philippines, he said that it was most favourable and that he considered the American administration had materially advanced the prosperity of the people. The rate of progress had been apparently slow but the difficulties to be overcome were very great and in the future the country would advance more quickly. Mr. Conger commented upon the great advantages which will be derived from the making of the railroads recently sanctioned by Congress, also upon the new harbour works at Manila which will be completed this year and, in his opinion, will make the harbour unsurpassed throughout the Orient. Particular mention was made of the Government schools throughout the islands the system in vogue and the results attained being most commendable. Mr. Conger stated that the fact that a large percentage of the population are savages and that, in consequence, the treatment of the Moros is largely experimental, makes the administration of the country a very serious undertaking, speaking of the Chinese Government. Mr. Conger said that he was convinced that they were maintaining their neutrality with admirable skill and excellent judgment. Their position is a most difficult one but their conduct throughout has been a totally correct and had afforded no cause for doubt in their sincerity. The people of Manchuria are suffering most acutely through the war operations and the Government are doing their utmost to alleviate the distress.

GARRISON ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS, HONGKONG, 23rd March, 1905.

GARRISON ORDERS—GUN Practice. No. 1. With reference to Garrison Order No. 1 of 14th instant, the Gun Practice therein ordered to take place at Sywan and Pakshawan will commence at 9 a.m. instead of 9.30 a.m. Launch will leave Kowloon Police Pier at 8 a.m. and Murray Pier at 8.15 a.m.

Leave—No. 2. Leave of absence on private affairs to the neighbouring countries has been granted to Captain F. J. Joslin, 2nd Royal West Kent Regt, from 25th April to 21st May, 1905.

Appointments—No. 3. Lieutenant L. H. Branson will be officiating Quarter Master 10th Mahratta Light Infantry in addition to his own duties as Double Company Officer from the 7th March, 1905 vice Lieutenant C. H. Mowbray proceeded on leave on Medical Certificate.

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TO-MORROW.	
Sale, Jewellery, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.	
Ordinary General Meeting of the China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd., 11 a.m.	
Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.	

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

23rd March

On LONDON	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/10 A.M.
Bank Bills, on demand	1/10 A.M.
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/10 A.M.
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/10 A.M.
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/10 A.M.
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/10 A.M.
On PARIS	
Bank Bills, on demand	2354
Credits, at 4 months' sight	239
On GERMANY	
On demand	192
On NEW YORK	
Bank Bills, on demand	454
Credits, 60 days' sight	464
On BOMBAY	
Telegraphic Transfer	1394
Bank, on demand	1393
On CALCUTTA	
Telegraphic Transfer	1394
Bank, on demand	1394
On SHANGHAI	
Bank, at sight	711
Private, 30 days' sight	724
On YOKOHAMA	
On demand	914
On MANILA	
On demand	53 p.m.
On SINGAPORE	
On demand	1123
On BATAVIA	
On demand	1124
On HAIFONG	
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On SAIGON	
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On BANGKOK	
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On HONGKONG	
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VESSELS EXPECTED.	
From ENGLISH MAIL.	
The P. & O. str. Simla left Singapore for this port on the 18th March at 5 p.m., and is due here to-day at 6 a.m.	
THE AMERICAN MAIL.	
The O. & C. str. Capricorn, from San Francisco to the 25th ult., via Honolulu, left Yokohama for this port on the 17th March via Kobe, &c., and is due here on the 26th March.	
THE GERMAN MAIL.	
The I.G.M. str. Prinz Eitel Friedrich left Colombo on Friday, p.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, a.m., the 20th March.	
THE CANADIAN MAIL.	
The C.P.R. str. Empress of India left Vancouver on Monday, the 20th March, p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.	
INDIA CHINA MAIL.	
The C.M. str. Teekai left Singapore on the 18th March, and is due here to-day.	
The Barber Line str. Sagami sailed from Manila on the 21st March.	
The Mogul Line str. Atholl, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore on the 21st March for this port.	
The str. Gregory Apear, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 22nd Mar., a.m., and may be expected here on the 27th March.	
The O.S.S. & C.M. str. Agamemnon left Singapore on the 22nd March at daylight.	
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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FROM	PER	DATE
Wingchau		Friday, 24th, 7.30 A.M.
Kinshau		Friday, 24th, 7.30 A.M.
Borneo		Friday, 24th, 8.00 A.M.
Hainan		Friday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
Korea		Friday, 24th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.
Loesok		Friday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
Hwangsha		Friday, 24th, 1.15 P.M.
Hongsang		Friday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
Rufi		Friday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Loongsang		Friday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Lydia		Friday, 24th, 4.00 P.M.
Triele		Friday, 24th, 4.00 P.M.
Glesfallon		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Claverino		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Tschun		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Hofu		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Venus		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Takking		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Ponan		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Wingchau		Friday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Hankow		Saturday, 25th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.
Malta		Saturday, 25th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.
Empress of China		Saturday, 25th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.
Takking		Saturday, 25th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.
Suriang		Saturday, 25th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.
Sanui		Saturday, 25th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.
P. R. Linlithgow		Saturday, 25th, Printed Matter and Samples Registration, 10.00 A.M.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 23rd March.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATION.
Albanabra	\$200	\$100, sellers
Hongkong & Shn.	\$125	\$750, London, \$770 10s.
National B. of China	\$8	\$90, buyers & sellers
A. Sharcs	\$8	\$90, buyers & sellers
B. Sharcs	\$8	\$90, buyers & sellers
Founders	\$1	\$10, sellers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	\$12	\$54,
China-Borneo Co.	\$12	\$12, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	\$90, sellers
China Provident	\$10	\$88, sellers
Cotton Mills—Evo.	\$10	\$12, buyers
H. & W. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$107, buyers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$100, sellers
H. & W. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$127, sellers
New Amoy Dock	\$10	\$12, buyers
S'hal & H. Wharf	\$10	\$12, buyers
Fenwick & Co., Guo.	\$25	\$100, ex div. sellers
Green Island Cement	\$10	\$10, buyers
Hongkong & C. Gas.</		